

# **What to do in the event of a Tornado**

## **Knowledge**

**Tornado Watch means that conditions are favorable for producing a Tornado. It does not mean that a Tornado has been spotted.**

**Tornado Warning means that a Tornado has been spotted in your area. Take cover and follow your plan.**

## **Have a Plan**

**Have a plan that your family can follow. If your residence has a basement this will be the safest place for you and your family in the event of a Tornado. If your home does not have a basement, find a room in the inner part of your home (preferably a room with no windows), such as the bathroom. Be sure that you have your Disaster Preparedness Kit.**

**Be sure to practice and ensure that everyone knows where to go and what to do.**

## **Alerts**

**There are several ways that the public can be informed of a tornado. The most common are the alerts through the media. The alerts are often seen scrolling across the bottom of your television set. Also alerts can be issued through the Emergency Broadcast System. This system can be activated with will stop the program on the radio and the television and will notify all that are watching and listening of the alert. Another system that the City of Crown Point has is a Tornado Warning System. This system consists of rotating sirens that are placed throughout the city. In the event of a Tornado watch, the Crown Point Emergency Management will send out trained spotters to location throughout the city and others will monitor the Computer Weather System and the CPEMA**

**Headquarters. In the event that a Tornado is spotted the CPEMA will activate the Tornado Warning Systems. These sirens will sound for three solid minutes, once the threat has past the system will then sound the All-Clear signal. This signal is a quick rising and falling wail that is emitted by the sirens.**

